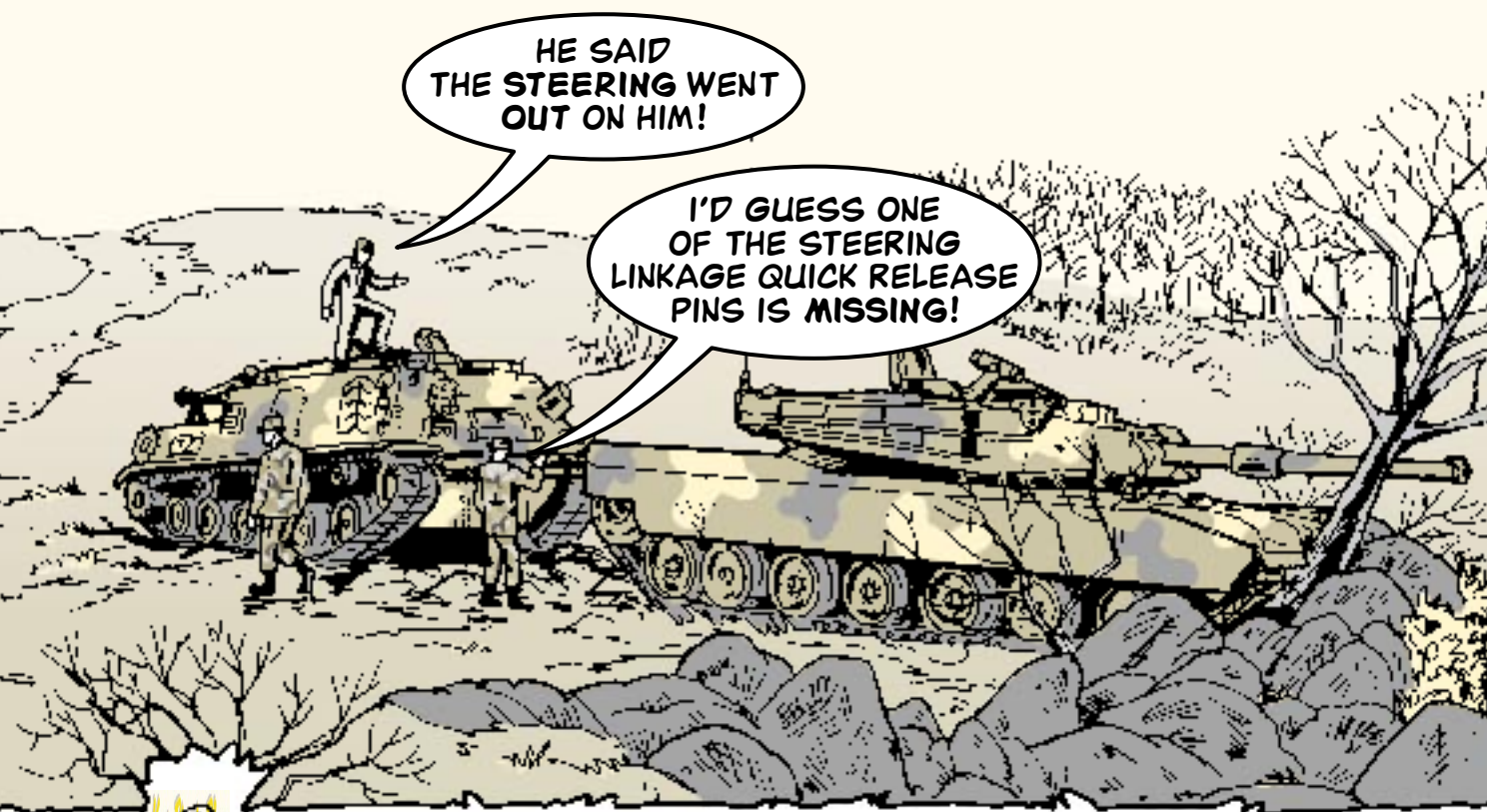


# Keep Pins in Place

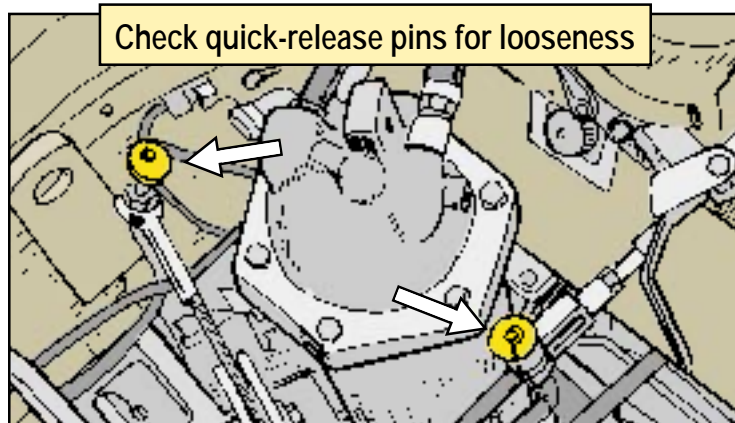


Sometimes quick-release pins are a little too “quick” for their own good. That’s especially true of the steering and brake linkage quick-release pins in your tank.

Dirt and corrosion jam each pin’s retaining mechanism. When that happens, the pin won’t lock in place. So, after you install it, the pin may not stay put. That means you can lose your steering or brakes, depending on which pins fall out.

When you check the quick-release pins as part of your before-operation PMCS, make sure the spring-loaded balls are holding each pin firmly in place.

Just give the pin a pull. If it comes out too easily, clean it or replace it with a new pin. The steering pin, NSN 5315-00-904-4788, slips out most often, so check it closely.



The parking brake pins, NSN 5315-00-008-5826, and the service brake pins, NSN 5315-00-904-6182, need to be checked, too.